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Re: CC Docket No. 96-45/WC Docket No. 10-90, Annual State-Certification of Support for Eligible Telecommunications Carriers Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.314

Pursuant to the requirements of 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, the Public Service Commission of Utah certifies to the Federal Communications Commission and the Universal Service Administrative Company that the telecommunications carriers included in this letter are eligible to receive federal high-cost support for the program years cited.

The Public Service Commission of Utah certifies for the carriers listed all federal high-cost support provided to such carriers within Utah was used in the preceding calendar year (2012) and will be used in the coming calendar year (2014) only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

<sup>1</sup> 47 C.F.R. §54.314(a) ("Certification. States that desire eligible telecommunications carriers to receive support pursuant to the high- cost program must file an annual certification with the Administrator and the Commission stating that all federal high-cost support provided to such carriers within that State was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. High-cost support shall only be provided to the extent that the State has filed the requisite certification pursuant to this section."). No. of Copies rec'd

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	Gary L Widerburg Signature of State Representative
	December 11, 2013 Date
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Company Name	Study Area Code
All West Communications, Inc.	(502288)
Bear Lake Communications	(503032)
Beehive Telephone Company, Inc.	(502284)
Carbon/Emery Telecom, Inc.	(502278)
Central Utah Telephone	(502277)
Citizens Telecommunications Company of Utah	(504429)
Direct Communications Cedar Valley, LLC	(500758)
Emery Telecom	(502278)
Gunnison Telephone Company	(502279)
Manti Telephone Company	(502282)
Navajo Communications Company, Inc.	(504449)
Qwest Corporation – Utah	(505107)
Skyline Telecom	(502283)
South Central Utah Telephone Association	(502286)
UBTA-UBET Communications, Inc.	(502287)
Union Telephone Company, Inc.	(512297 – Utah segment only)

Exceptions to this certification are CenturyTel of Eagle, Inc. (CenturyTel), a subsidiary of CenturyLink, Inc., Farmers Telephone Company (Farmers), and Albion Telephone Company (Albion). CenturyTel provides local exchange service to approximately 6 to 8 Utah customers on the border of Colorado via facilities located in Colorado. Farmers provides local exchange service to approximately 8 Utah customers on the border of Colorado via facilities located in Colorado. Albion provides local exchange service to approximately 27 Utah customers on the border of Idaho via facilities located in Idaho. All ratemaking procedures for these companies have historically been deferred to the Colorado Public Utilities Commission or Idaho Public Utilities Commission accordingly.



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> Re: CC Docket No. 96-45, In the Matter of Federal-State Joint Board on Universal

Service

## Annual State Certification Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §54.316

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §54.316, state commissions must file an annual certification with the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) and the FCC stating that residential rates in rural areas served by non-rural carriers are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide.

## Utah Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (companies) Certified With This Letter:

Qwest, Inc., doing business as CenturyLink

The Commission certifies that the rates charged by the sole non-rural ILEC serving rural areas in Utah are reasonably comparable to the nationwide urban rates. The rate charged by Owest, Inc., Utah's only nonrural LEC serving rural areas, is less than the safe harbor amount determined by the FCC.

Respectfully,

Commission Secretary